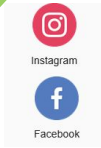


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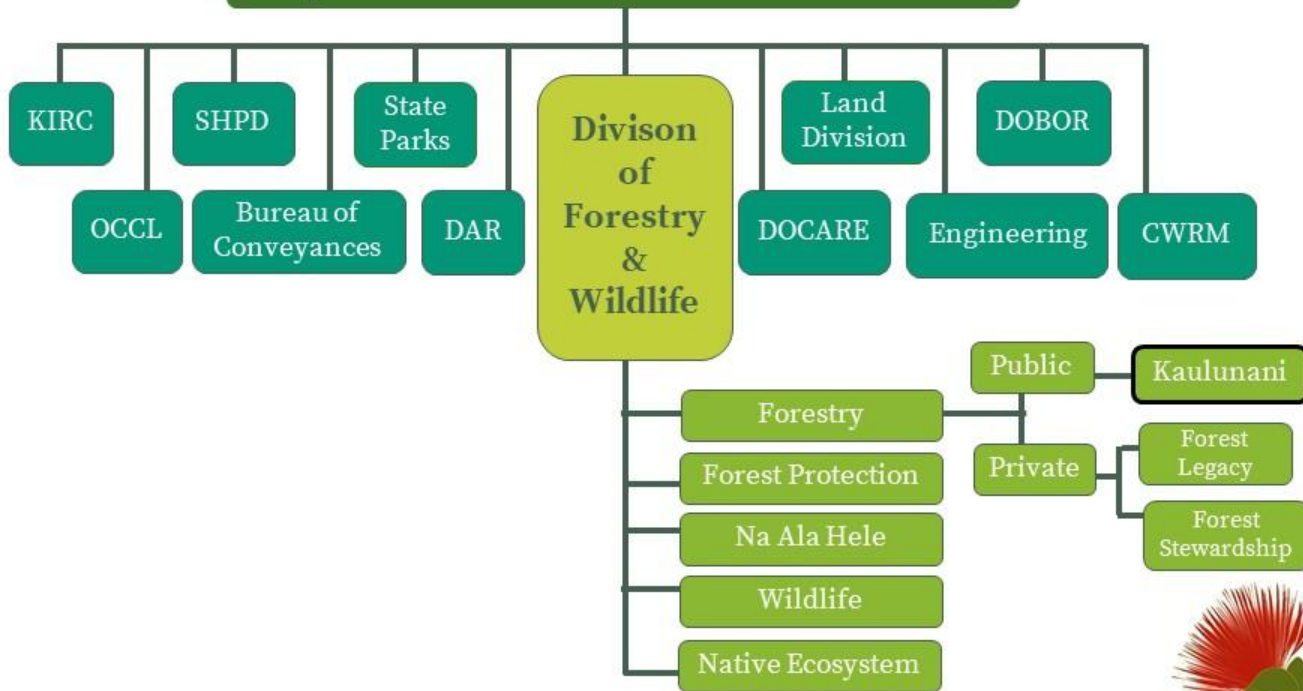


1. Kaulunani Urban & Community Forestry Program



Board of Land and Natural Resources

Department of Land and Natural Resources





Kaulunani UCF Program

- Federal & State Support
- Since 1992 has given over \$3.6M for hundreds of community cost-share grants - **to people like you!**
- Advisory Council



A decorative graphic on the left side of the slide. It features a large, dark green leaf with a lighter green vein, a smaller solid green leaf, and two light blue circles. The background is white.

Mission

The mission of Kaulunani is to support all of Hawaii's communities to cultivate wellbeing and resilience through planting, caring for and growing relationships with the trees and forests that we live with and that are crucial to the ecosystems on which we rely. We do this for our keiki, our kūpuna, ourselves, our 'āina and everyone's future.

Program Goals

- Improve **understanding** of benefits of trees
- Increase **tree canopy** cover
- Increase **benefits** from trees
- Support **tree planting** projects
- Support **Arbor Day** activities
- Enhance industry **technical skills** and knowledge

Grants are awarded for projects that respond to a need identified in our [Forest Action Plan](#).



2. Community Cost-Share Grant Program

The background features several stylized green leaves of various sizes and shades, some with white veins, and large, light gray circles. A teardrop-shaped inset on the left shows a photograph of a dense, green forest with prominent tree roots.

Purpose of the Grant Program

To encourage community involvement in creating and supporting long-term and sustained urban and community forestry programs across Hawai'i.

Kaulunani believes community-driven solutions are a vital part in addressing the Forest Action Plan (FAP) Objectives.



Forest Action Plan Objectives

Climate
Change

Education &
Outreach

Health &
Wellbeing

Green
Infrastructure

Wildland Urban
Interface

Invasive
Species

Emergency
Mgmt

Urban Tree
Care





Available Funding

- \$43,000 available
- Award amounts are between \$500 and \$7,500 (and anything in between, it does not have to be either \$500 or \$7,500)
- Awards are **reimbursement grants**
 - funds must be expended and invoice submitted to receive payment.



New Online Application!

- Online Application form! Go to Kaulunani.org/grants
- You can download a blank application to see the questions in advance
- Ability to start, save, return later
- Upload all required documentation & submit online.



Requires 1 to 1 Non-Federal Match

- Every grant dollar must be matched
 - Eg. Grant request: \$2,000 = Match: \$2,000 (at least)
- Volunteer hourly rate = \$28.54 (2021)
 - professional - market rate
 - equipment used - rental rate
- Cash donations/other grants
- Material donation - fair market rate



Who Can Apply?

- **Organization:** Non-federal entities operating within the State of Hawai'i. Nonprofit status not required.
- **Location:** Actively seeking to support projects across all Islands.
- Projects, programs and events must be accessible to the public.



Not Eligible for Funding

- Property acquisition and related costs
- Tree removal
- Projects on property **inaccessible to** public
- Equipment (computers, printers, typewriters, cameras, phones, fax machines, structures)
- **Food and refreshments**
- **Salaries and wages** (administrative funds, overhead, salaries or wages are typically not supported but can be **used as match**.)

***contractual services** for work needed to implement the project **may be included**.

Thinking about a Tree Planting Project?



- Who to involve?
 - Landowner permission, maintenance plan
- Where to plant?
 - Site map, publicly accessible
- What to plant?
 - Species, Weed Risk Assessment
- How to plant?
 - Volunteers, community groups
- How much?
 - Nursery bid (one, in writing), supplies needed, cost of maintenance

Review all requirements for proposals on Kaulunani website



Suggestions for Projects to Stand Out



Volunteers



Partnerships



Diversity



Community
Need



Builds Capacity



Impact

What to Expect

Grant Process Timeline

July 12

Applications
submitted online



August 12

Council votes on
applications, submits
recommendation to
the State Forester



August 19 - 20

Applicants notified



+ 6 - 8 weeks

Grant paperwork emailed
to applicant (including
esign). DOFAW
procurement process
begins. Costs cannot be
incurred before Notice to
Proceed issued.



September 2022

Project funds must
be fully expended.
Final report and
invoice due.

***All payments are
made as
reimbursements.***



Questions?



Further questions and assistance:

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